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Examiner: T. MullenFor: APPLICATIONS FOR RADIO
FREQUENCY IDENTIFICATION
SYSTEMS**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 20, 2000, in which the Examiner applied a restriction requirement to Claims 1-13 (Group I); Claims 14-25 (Group II) and Claims 26-36 (Group III). Applicants elect to prosecute Claims 26-36 (Group III) without traverse.

If a telephonic interview with the Applicants' undersigned representative would be helpful in resolving any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (651) 733-6750.

Respectfully submitted,

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